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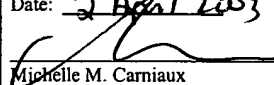
AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER		Docket Number 2698/36
Application Number 09/336,031	Filing Date June 18, 1999	Examiner Ella Colbert
Invention Title METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REFERENCING, ARCHIVING AND RETRIEVING SYMBOLICALLY LINKED INFORMATION		Inventor(s) KEVIN CURTIS, et al.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for entry in the above-identified application:

- Applicant respectfully request a one-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action mailed December 2, 2002, for which a response period expiring on March 2, 2003, was set. The extended period expires on April 2, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) large entity extension fee of \$110.00 to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number 11-0600.
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TOTAL CLAIMS	49	minus	42	7	18.00	126.00
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 - F. Any additional miscellaneous fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.21.
5. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT

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This paper addresses the Office Action of December 2, 2002, the period for response
having been extended to April 2, 2003 by payment of the requisite fee for a one month extension.

In The Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A method for storing and referencing symbolically linked information
comprising the steps of:

processing a symbol to generate a master symbol formatted according to a
predetermined structure;

determining a unique parent identifier corresponding to the master symbol;

storing the parent identifier and the master symbol in a master symbol database

wherein the master symbol is linked to the parent identifier;

storing at least one information element wherein the at least one information element
is linked to the parent identifier.

12. (Amended) A method for the archival of symbolically linked information comprising the

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